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Congressman Denny Rehberg 950 North Montana Helena, MT. 59601

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RE: Wolf Management

Congressman Rehberg;

Hunting in the United States of America is under assault by animal rights and wilderness groups. The weapon of choice is the "Endangered Species Act of 1973" and the current projectile is the Canadian Grey Wolf. This animal was never an inhabitant of the Lower 48 States. The smaller Timber Wolf was the wolf of Montana, which is now virtually extinct. Now that the imported Grey Wolf is here the Fish and Game Agencies of the several states need to manage it without Federal interference. The Northern Yellowstone Elk Herd has been reduced from 25,000 in 1990 to 6,000 today. Without the ability to manage predators the states Fish and Game Agencies will be unable to manage the big game herds that they are required by state laws to manage for hunting. If something isn't done soon elk, deer, moose, and big horn sheep will become endangered thus ending the nations hunting heritage.

The Beaverhead Outdoors Association believes that the Endangered Species Act must be amended to remove the Canadian Grey Wolf (Canis Lupus) from protection under the Act in all 50 states. We support the passage of HR-6028 written by Congressman Chet Edwards and co-sponsored by you. We applied your support of this measure.

Hopefully Senators Baucus and Tester will agree to sign on to support the same legislation in the Senate.

Steve Jennings

President